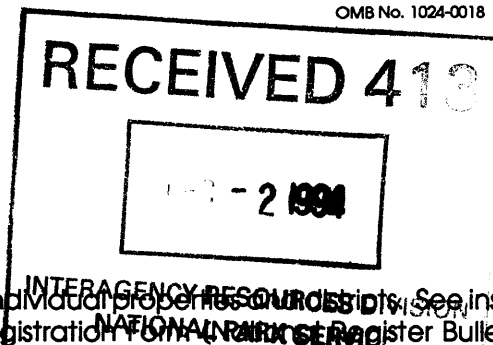


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM**



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Park Service Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Cisney, George, E., House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 916 E. McKinley Street not for publication _____
city or town Phoenix vicinity _____
state Arizona code AZ county Maricopa code AZ 013 zip code 85006

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this ☒ nomination _____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property ☒ meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant _____ nationally _____ statewide ☒ locally. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

James Garrison AZSAPD 3/15/94
Signature of certifying official Date

ARIZONA STATE PARKS
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

☒ entered in the National Register

___ See continuation sheet.

___ determined eligible for the

National Register

___ See continuation sheet.

___ determined not eligible for the

National Register

___ removed from the National Register

___ other (explain):

Edson H. Beall

Entered in the
National Register

For

Signature of Keeper

1-12-95
Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

☒ private

___ public-local

___ public-State

___ public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

☒ building(s)

___ district

___ site

___ structure

___ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing Noncontributing

 1 ___ buildings

___ ___ sites

___ ___ structures

___ ___ objects

 1 0 Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

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6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Colonial Revival

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation STONE

roof ASPHALT

walls STUCCO

other _____

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Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- ☐ A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☐ B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☐ D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- ☐ A. owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- ☐ B. removed from its original location.
- ☐ C. a birthplace or a grave.
- ☐ D. a cemetery.
- ☐ E. a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- ☐ F. a commemorative property.
- ☐ G. less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance 1880-1901

Significant Dates _____

Significant Person (Complete only if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Cisney, George, E.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
☐ previously listed in the National Register
☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

☒ State Historic Preservation Office
☐ Other State agency
☐ Federal agency
☐ Local government
☐ University
☐ Other
Name of repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

1 12 401420 3702250 3 _____

2 _____ 4 _____

____ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Woodward Architectural Group date September 1991

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets**Maps**

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name _____

street & number _____ telephone _____

city or town _____ state _____ zip code _____

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Cisney, George, E.

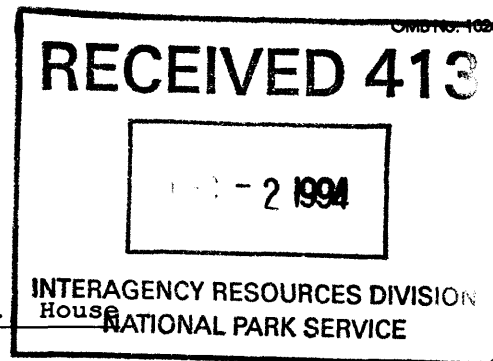
name of property

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county and State

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name of multiple property listing



Description

The George E. Cisney House was constructed in ca. 1897 by its original owner, G.E. Cisney. The building is constructed in the Colonial Revival architectural style and represents the Builder's Plan Book property type. It retains integrity of design, materials, workmanship, and setting. It has been utilized as a single family dwelling from ca. 1897 to the present day.

The George E. Cisney House is located in Lot 65 of the Highland subdivision of the Dennis Addition. The Dennis Addition was originally platted in 1883. The building faces south onto East Roosevelt Street. The streetscape along East Roosevelt Street is characterized by modest, working class historic and contemporary residences. No outbuildings are located on the site.

The George E. Cisney House is a square, one and one-half story building of brick construction. The building measures 40 x 50 feet. The steeply pitched hip roof features multiple hipped roof dormers and is covered with asphalt shingles. The original brick walls have been sheathed with stucco. It has a stone foundation.

Exterior features include a deep veranda on the front and west sides with masonry piers. Wood double hung windows are located discretely along the walls. Two opposing windows at the principal facades are fixed wood sash with leaded glass top lites. The central entry features a glazed wood panel door with side lites and transom. The facade dormer features a door and side windows leading to a balcony above the veranda. Important architectural elements include brick denticulation below the boxed cornice eaves, wood brackets along the veranda eaves, corbelled chimney, and decorative glass.

Alterations include modification of the porch headers to a stuccoed arch configuration (ca. 1930) and the application of stucco on the original brick. The house is in good condition.

Statement of Significance

The George E. Cisney House is significant under Criteria C under the area of significance of Architecture. It is representative of the historic context "Residential Architecture in Phoenix Prior to 1901." Built in ca. 1897 and constructed in the Colonial Revival architectural style, the George E. Cisney House is representative of the Builder's Plan Book property type. The George E. Cisney House is also important in the area of Community Planning. As one of only nine nineteenth century buildings remaining in the Dennis Addition, which was originally platted in 1883, the George E. Cisney House represents a rare survivor of its period and the historic context "Nineteenth Century Community Development in Phoenix."

A popular architectural style used during the plan book era was the Colonial Revival style. The use of the style in residential architecture was wide spread in the late nineteenth century. Closely followed copies of plan book examples of the style, as demonstrated by the George E. Cisney House, were once common. The house illustrates a local interpretation of the plan book designs that resulted in an elaborately detailed building which incorporates the major stylistic concepts of Colonial architecture. With the exception of the stucco application over the brick walls, the Colonial Revival inspired design of the E. W. Skinner House remains intact. Stylistic features include its overall square plan, attention to symmetry in its massing and facade

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Statement of Significance (Continued)

design, and the use of boxed cornice detailing at the eaves, further accented with eave brackets at the veranda and dentils at the sidewalls. The stylistically typical facade length veranda is used in the house design and the oversized dormers on each roof plane emphasize symmetry, as well as scale. The house also features the use of molding and trim in classical shapes, leaded glass windows, and raised panel, glazed doors.

Built by local contractor George E. Cisney as his own residence, the house is a specific example of a builder's reliance on plan book designs in local residential construction.

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Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property is located on Lot 65 of the Highland Subdivision of the Dennis Addition.

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the entire city lot that has historically been associated with the property.